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For: INHIBITORS OF THE ANANDAMIDE TRANSPORTER AS ANALGESIC AGENTS

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

In response to the Office Action dated July 26, 2002 Applicants respectfully request entry and consideration of the following amendment and remarks.

**AMENDMENT**

**In the specification:**

Please amend the title of the application as follows:

Inhibitors of the Anandamide Transporter [as Analgesic Agents]

**In the Claims:**

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (amended) A method of inhibiting transport of anandamide in an individual or animal comprising administering to the individual or animal a therapeutically effective amount of a compound represented by the following structural formula:

X - Y - Z

and physiologically acceptable salts thereof, wherein:

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